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Washington, DC
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Please Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR, within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-307

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: January 19, 2006

Dried Fruit, Announcement FV-307, Invitation 035

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dried fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to the Child Nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1:00 p.m., Central time, Friday, February 2, 2007**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, February 16, 2007. Deliveries are to be made from April 16, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Dried Cherries

4/4 lb.

46,200 cases

No offers will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

The product must be 100% grown, processed and packed in the United States from the 2006 and/or later crop year.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.



Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-307, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated May 2004 or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/ Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered to destination basis, subject to Announcement FV-307, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV307
 INVITATION : 035
 COMM GROUP : 35 FRUITS, DRIED
 COMM TYPE : 70 CHERRIES, DRIED
 PACK SIZE : 11 4/4 LB

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/16/07 - 04/30/07					
001	ROCKY HILL	CT	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
002	CHICOPEE	MA	TRUCK ONLY	462	_____
	WILMINGTON	MA		1,386	_____
003	CHICOPEE	MA	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
	TAUNTON	MA	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
004	AUGUSTA	ME	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
	CONCORD	NH	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
005	CRANSTON	RI	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
006	PORT NEWARK	NJ		1,848	_____
007	VINELAND	NJ		1,832	_____*
	VINELAND	NJ	TRUCK ONLY	16	_____
008	JOHNSON CITY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	362	_____
	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	1,486	_____

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009	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	169	_____
	SPRINGFIELD	VA		1,091	_____
	SUFFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	588	_____
010	JACKSONVILLE	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
011	NAPLES	FL	TRUCK ONLY	462	_____
	WINTER HAVEN	FL		1,386	_____
012	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	984	_____
	SALISBURY	NC	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
013	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
014	GRAND RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
015	INDEPENDENCE	MO	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
	JEFFERSON CITY	MO	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
016	COMMERCE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	462	_____
	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	462	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/07 - 05/15/07					
017	HELENA	MT	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
018	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 05/16/07 - 05/31/07					
019	INDEPENDENCE	MO	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
	JEFFERSON CITY	MO	TRUCK ONLY	924	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 06/16/07 - 06/30/07					
020	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,848	_____
021	LINCOLN	NE		1,848	_____
022	CLEARFIELD	UT		462	_____
	FOREST GROVE	OR		1,386	_____
023	EMMETT	ID		1,848	_____
024	KENT	WA		1,848	_____

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025	KENT	WA		924	
	SPOKANE	WA		924	

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 46,200

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Commodity Procurement Branch
Fruit and Vegetable Programs

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